



January 2016

Building Hours and Program Times

Independence Visitor Center.....	8:30am-6:00pm
Liberty Bell Center.....	9:00am-5:00pm
Please note - Security screening closes 5 minutes before the Liberty Bell Center closes for the evening.	

Independence Square (Access to the Square is through security located at 5th and Chestnuts Streets)

Please note - Security screening closes 15 minutes before the buildings on the Square close for the evening

Independence Hall.....	9:00am-5:00pm
Congress Hall.....	9:00am-5:00pm
Old City Hall.....	9:00am-5:00pm
The Great Essentials Exhibit in the West Wing of Independence Hall.....	9:00am-5:00pm

Carpenters' Court

Carpenters' Hall.....	open Wednesday-Sunday.....	10:00am-4:00pm
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Franklin Court

Benjamin Franklin Museum.....	(fee charged)...(fee free on January 18)...	9:00am-5:00pm
Printing Office.....		10:00am-5:00pm
B. Free Franklin Post Office.....	open Monday-Saturday.....	9:00am-5:00pm

Other Park Sites

The City Tavern.....	opens at 11:30am
National Constitution Center...(fee charged)...open Monday-Saturday.....	9:30am-5:00pm
open Sunday.....	Noon-5:00pm
The President's House Site Memorial.....	7:00am-10:00pm

Other NPS Sites

Edgar Allan Poe NHS.....	open Friday-Sunday.....	9:00am-Noon and 1:00pm-5:00pm
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Special Events and Program Descriptions

January 16-18, 2016 - Family Fun: Franklin Fun Zone

Celebrate Benjamin Franklin's birthday (January 17), and enjoy a variety of activities inspired by his interest in science, music, art, and more. Try your hand at playing the glass armonica, or create an instrument of your own. You may even see the famous man himself. -**Benjamin Franklin Museum, 10:00am-3:00pm**

January 18, 2016 - Ceremony: National Bell Ringing

Join us as we honor the life of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with our annual ceremonial tapping for the Liberty Bell. -**Liberty Bell Center, 11:15am-12:15pm.**

January 23, 2016 - Lecture: "Tracking Poe's Orangutan in 19th-Century Paris" (Snow Date: 1/30/2016)

Celebrate Edgar Poe's 207th birthday (January 19), by joining Dr. Aaron Freundsuh as he explores the fascinating origins of Poe's short story, *The Murders in the Rue Morgue*. -**Edgar Allan Poe NHS, 2:00-3:00pm.**

Holiday Hours

New Year's Day - January 1, 2016

Independence Visitor Center - 8:30am-6:00pm
Liberty Bell Center and Independence Hall - 11:00am-4:00pm
(All other park buildings are closed)

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday January 18, 2016

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Liberty Bell Center, Independence Hall, and Benjamin Franklin Museum - 9:00am-5:00pm
(All other park buildings are closed)